

**South West Regional DCFS Child Welfare
Quality Improvement Committee
Meeting Minutes
03 October 2016
12:00 1:00 p.m.**

Mission Statement:

The South West Regional Quality Improvement Committee (QIC), working in partnership with the Division of Child and Family Services (DCFS), advocate for the client well-being by identifying areas of Improvement and promoting changes within the child welfare system

Attending: ST. George: Dave Ribacchi, Ben Ashcraft, Martha Beacco, Tami Fullerton, Lori Short, Karen Goff, Jodi West, Julie Nelson, Joseph Farnsworth, Julene Robbins, Nickie Stocks

Cedar City: Tara Taysom,

Excused: Jana Timmons, Lori Orton, Tyler Goddard, Amy Bates, Kelly Stapley, Lindsey Boyer

Visitors: Joseph Farnsworth

Introductions/News/Announcements:

Review and Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: Tami Fullerton approved

Committee Member Reports:

A. CJC:

B. C.A.S.A.:

C. Utah Foster Care: Lunch & Learn at the Utah Foster Care Foundation tomorrow 04 Oct. 2016. Prep for November Classes.

Adoption Celebration at the Washington Nisson Park on 05 Nov. 2016 – Flyer Attached

D. DJJS:

E. School District: The School Dist. received a grant to provide each child with 2 books.

Next Thursday and Friday 13 & 14 Oct. is Fall Break for Washington Co.

School Dist. also received \$500.00 for a wish list. Shoes, gift cards for homeless and lower income families who are not connected to DCFS.

Also, they have gently used suitcases and duffle bags at Mill Creek High School. The Elks Club has provided a lot of funds to support the community.

F. Community Members:

G. DCFS:

H. Help Me Grow: Has been attending the story time at the Library to assist parents as needed.

I. Paiute Tribe: The Spirit Run was a success. It was a good experience. Eric from DCFS ran the 10-15 miles. There was also a Police Escort from Iron Co.

AGENDA: Service Review – **Julene Robbins** –

Handout: Department of Human Services 2016 Fatality Review Executive Summary FY2016 & Fatality Review Act

Julene handles the whole State of Utah with DCFS and DSPD. Every State has a fatality review committee.

All reports go to the Legislation but they are GRAMA'd and names are redacted.

Have there been any services in the past 12 months?

Is DCFS doing their job? Yes DCFS is doing their job.

Human Services is priority.

Dave: Committee Recommendations:

Dave will send out a Draft- Committee is to rate them of most importance, then there will be an open discussion and have a committee product for Year End Report.

Discussion on New Committee for QIC Recognition for DCFS - Ben

DISMISS: 1:00 p.m.

Next Meeting: 07 November 2016

Public Comments (brief mention of items that may be included on future agenda's)

QIC Website: QIC website at <http://www.utahqic.utah.gov/>. --Carol Miller

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